

**Amendments To the Abstract:**

In the English translation document, please add the section heading and paragraph at page 15 line 1, as follows:

**--ABSTRACT**

The invention relates to a device and a method for controlling an authentication in a telecommunications network, using a subscriber connection device for connecting a user region to an exchange by means of an external data transmission interface and for implementing an internal data transmission interface in the user region, the external data transmission interface comprising at least one authentication channel. A control unit is used to monitor switched data traffic on the external and/or internal data transmission interface and controls respective logon/logoff processes in the authentication channel to an internet service provider, according to the monitored switched data traffic.--